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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Inventor(s) : Koichiro INOUE *et al.*
Serial Number : 10/101,010
Filed : March 20, 2002
For : NON-HEAT TREATED STEEL FOR HOT FORGING
WITH EASY FRACTURE SPLITTING
Examiner : Deborah Yee
Group Art Unit : 1742

PETITION FOR A ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

November 20, 2003

Dear Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136, applicant hereby petitions for a one-month extension of time for filing a response to the Official action mailed July 25, 2003. The Official action mailed July 25, 2003, set forth a three-month period for response. Accordingly, this petition for a one-month extension of time extends the due date for filing a response to November 25, 2003.

A check in the amount of ONE HUNDRED TEN DOLLARS (\$110.00) for the one-month extension of time fee is attached hereto.

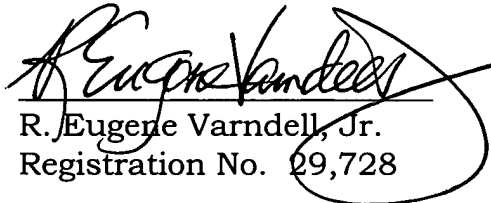
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In the event this paper is not timely filed, applicant hereby petitions for an appropriate extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee therefor, as well as any deficiency in the payment of the required fee(s) or credit any overpayment, to our deposit account No. 22-0256.

Respectfully submitted,
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